

DETAILED ACTION

1. This office action is in response to the BPAI decision mailed on 02/02/2012.
2. Claims 1, 9, 15 and 21-35 are pending in the application and have been examined.

Examiner's Amendment

3. Permission for the following amendment was received from Roland Long on 02/01/2012:

Cancel claim 9.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 1, 15 and 21-35 are allowed. The closest prior art does not teach the claimed subject matter, as outlined in the BPAI decision mailed on 02/02/2012.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Corey S. Faherty whose telephone number is (571)270-1319. The examiner can normally be reached on weekdays between 7:00 and 4:30, with every other Friday off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Eddie Chan can be reached on (571) 272 4162. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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